TEACHERS' RETIREMENT BOARD

REGULAR MEETING

SUBJECT: Proposed Travel ITEM NUMBER: 10a

ATTACHMENT(S):

ACTION: X DATE OF MEETING: April 5, 2001

INFORMATION: ____ PRESENTER(S): _Jim Mosman

99/00 TRAVEL CALENDAR

CONFERENCE	LOCATION	CATEGORY	<u>ATTENDEE</u>
July Pension 2000	Girdwood, AK 07/08-11/00		Mr. Mosman
August Investment Trends for the Millennium	Rockport, ME 08/13-16/00	3	Dr. Bodle
September Pensions 2000	Austria 09/08-16/00		Mr. Mosman
Fundamentals of Money Management	Philadelphia, PA 09/24-29/00	3	Mr. Robinson
Council of Institutional Investors	Boston, MA 09/25-26/00		Mr. Waddell
Master Custodian Site Visits	Boston, MA and Tam 09/27-29/00	npa, FL	Mr. Mosman
October NCTR Annual Conference	Boston, MA 10/01-04/00	2	Ms. Zink Dr. Bodle Ms. Raffel Mr. Mosman Mr. Carter Mr. Derman
NACIO Conference	Sioux Falls, SD 10/14-18/00		Mr. Ailman
November NCTR Planning Meeting	Salt Lake City, UT 11/01-04/00		Mr. Mosman
December NCTR Planning Meeting	Austin, TX 12/8-9/00		Mr. Mosman

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January 2001 NCTR Legislative Committee	Washington, DC 01/28-31/01		Mr. Mosman Mr. Derman
February Opal Groups Investment Education	New Orleans, LA 02/20-24/01	3	Dr. Bodle
March CII Semi-Annual Conference	Washington, DC 03/25 – 27/01		Mr. Mosman Mr. Waddell
NCTR Executive Directors Meeting	Tampa, FL 03/30-4/3/01		Mr. Mosman
April Benefit Administration Peer Conference	Toronto, ON 04/23-26/01		Mr. Mosman Mr. Carter
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SUBJECT: Travel Summaries	ITEM NUMBER: 10b
	ATTACHMENT(S): 1
ACTION: X	DATE OF MEETING: April 5, 2001
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Board Member reports due: Dr. Bodle – Opal Group Investment Education Symposium (attached)

TRAVEL REPORT

Name: Dr. Yvonne Bodle

Board Member

Destination: New Orleans, LA

Funding Source: CalSTRS

Other: N/A

Travel Costs: \$ 1,162

Travel Period: February 20 - 22, 2001

PURPOSE OF TRIP: Attend Opal Investment Education Symposium

SUMMARY / HIGHLIGHTS:

Heard presentations on using a modern portfolio theory approach to investing in hedge funds, the impact of the internet on the institutional investment community, brokerage issues, the importance and impact of due diligence, technology and innovation, small and mid cap, securities litigation an class actions, private equity, absolute return strategies, and international investing. Other workshops I attended were: analyzing managers, international exposure – opportunity or liability?, alternative investments, fixed income products, what are the best asset classes of the future?, indexing vs. active management, risk management and performance measurement, asset allocation, money manager search and selection process, inclusion of niche asset classes in a portfolio, watching the watchers; a how-to workshop for analyzing investment consultants, and style attribution and the measurement of money manager performance.

This is an excellent conference and I recommend it to others. My interest was particularly peaked with the presentation on hedge funds by Dr. James Park, Chair and CEO of Paradigm Capital Management. The second most well attended workshop was on securities litigation and class actions provided by two New York law firms.